

Chillicothe

VOLUME VIII.

CHILICOTHE, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, MISSOURI, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1884.

CURRENT TOPICS.

The stock-darner is the latest in vogue.

SINCE 1881 the American people have built 10,000 miles of railroad.

The loss of \$1,000 through bunco men instantly killed a Californian.

There is said to be \$50,000,000 invested in hotels along the line of Broadway, New York.

There is more money invested in firearms in Alabama than in hogs, sheep, and farm implements.

A public library devoted entirely to technical and professional books will be opened in Paris next month.

Victoria says she will stay in Scotland until November. London tradesmen do not approve of her plans.

PARTI admits that her voice is not as good as it once was, but says that there will be no reduction in her prices for warbling.

Paris hotel-keepers are at their old tricks of swindling Americans, and there have been several cases carried to the courts.

SINCE the development of tree culture the forests of Europe have increased from one-sixth to one-fifth of the entire territory.

An English manufacturer advertises that his safety matches may be eaten by children with positive benefit to their appetite and digestion.

MISS LAMBERT, one of the mists of honor to the queen, is to be married next month, and there will be a vacancy to fill in the Victoria household.

The ship of Persia, in return for the courtesies shown to him while in Paris, has presented the municipality with two canals of a variety no larger than Shetland ponies.

PROFESSOR SWING, of Chicago, says that the vanity of women is innocent compared with that of men. And he adds that embezzlers generally steal to gratify their vanity.

The use of natural gas in Pittsburgh manufacturing is steadily increasing, and now the right has been sold to a man who will try to introduce it into houses for heating purposes.

A SAMPLE of American cheese in London when analyzed proved to contain neither milk nor any of its derivatives. Its chief ingredients were lard and coloring matter. It came from New York state.

A DISMAYED woman was so positive in her testimony that she secured the conviction of a small boy who had accused of stealing her watch in a street car. She afterward found the timepiece at home.

In repairing the old Elliot Block House, in Maine, a decayed log was found to contain many stone Indian arrow heads and several bullets. According to the town record they must have been embedded in the early part of the last century.

GERMAN commercial papers direct attention to the increasing development of the beet-root sugar industry in Denmark. Formerly the bulk of Denmark's sugar supply came from abroad, but for some time past it has been produced at home.

DR. G. L. BEARDSLEY reiterates the belief of many scientific men that death is usually painless, so far as physical sensation is concerned, and he is also of the opinion that mental numbness, or a feeling of sinking into rest, frees the mind of fear.

Two robbers took the hoarded hundred dollars belonging to an industrial Nebraska widow, and then a third scoundrel, turning the neighbors' sympathy and his own clerical address to account, collected money enough to reimburse the loser and disappeared.

DR. KOCH recommends acid drinks during cholera epidemics. A chemist says in this regard that the workmen in vitriol manufactories, who use as a beverage diluted sulphuric acid sweetened with sugar or molasses, have never been known to be attacked by the disease.

SULLIVAN, a London cigarette manufacturer, says more ladies smoke in London than the world wots of. The cigarette is becoming popular with those who are not in the least afraid to ask for what they want. There is no special brand for them, but they prefer the one with the most delicate flavor.

A DREADFUL man who does not give his name, writes to a Boston newspaper the following libel on the Boston woman: "The Mexican women of the lowest strata of society surpass in manners, grace, courtesy, and more the most accomplished of what we call the highest classes here in Boston. I have seen more grace and beauty and more 'savoir' among the ladies of the Rio Grande del Norte than I have ever seen in Boston."

Forty years ago a lad named Levi went in swimming near Beartown, Pa., and became paralyzed and perfectly helpless. From a fairly developed boy he became mute and helpless, and has remained so ever since. His body has never grown, but his head has developed to an ordinary man's size. His father had considerable means, and provided for him in his will to be kept by the family, and after his parent's death he was moved to his sister's residence in the village of Goodville, where he now is. He has to be fed like a baby. He is an endless trouble to his kind sister, but she is perfectly devoted to him.

Thomas Paine once boasted that the Bible went in a generation or two became an obsolete book.—*Exemplified Messenger.*

Ohio will send one hundred varieties of wheat to the New Orleans exposition.

A THEOSOPHIC MARRIAGE.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

She was a theosophist; he was a theosophist; they were a theosophical couple. And that, in my humble opinion, was a very good thing.

The children's interest awoke in a flash, and that very evening the question discussed was one brought in by Nate.

"What is the difference between limestone and granite?"

A simple one, and it opened the way for her, and the first meeting proved a success. She had to study each day to be ready and wide awake for her class. They lived in a limestone region. Different forms of coral abounded, and other fossils were plenty. An old cupboard in the shed was turned into a cabinet.

One day Nate, who had wandered two or three miles, brought home a piece of rock, where curious finger-shaped creatures were embedded.

Great was the delight of you to find them described as orthoceras, and an excursion to the spot was planned for the next holiday. Question after question led back to the origin of the earth. She found the nebular hypothesis, and hardly slept one night trying to comprehend it clearly enough to put before others in a simple fashion.

By and by they classified each specimen, and the best of their kind were taken to shelves in the sitting room.

Her own enthusiasm in study was aroused, and far from a hindrance, it now became a delight. Her spirit was contagious. The boys, always fond of "mother," wondered what new life possessed her, but they accepted the change all the same. She found she could teach, and also inspire her pupils.

They heard of a gully five or six miles away, where crystals had been found. Making a holiday, for which the boys worked like Trojans, they took their lunch in a farm wagon and rode to the spot; and, if their search was not altogether successful, it left them the memory of a very happy time.

In the mean time the farm prospered. She did all the work in the house, and all the sewing; going out in the garden, too, where she raised a few flowers, and helped to gather vegetables. Daniel and the boys were bitterly opposed to her helping them.

"Mother," said Jerry, "you'll never think you must go out. I'll do anything to make up. I don't want you to look like these we sometimes see in the fields."

Generally she yielded; her work was done for her own part. Through it all ran the thought that her children were growing up; she would become educated men; she would not let them get ahead—not as to pass her entirely.

Which came. Now Daniel could see to the work; but these habits of study were not to be broken.

"Boys, let us form a history club," was the proposition. "It isn't to interfere with your lessons at school."

They took the history of the United States, which the younger children were studying. Beginning with the New England settlements, and being six in number, they called each other, for the time, after the six states, pretending old Daniel to take his native Rhode Island.

"That woman beats all creation," he was heard to exclaim, "the way she works all day and goes on at night over her books."

The mother used to say she hardly knew if she were any older than her boys when they were trying to trip each other with questions. The teacher of the district school came over one Sunday afternoon.

"I never had such pupils," said he, "as your sons in history; and, indeed, they want to look into everything."

Afterward he heard with delight the story of their evening's work. The deep snow often shut them out from the red light shining clearly and brightly from that sitting-room window, and a merry group was gathered around the table.

Every two weeks an evening was given to some journey. It was laid out in advance and faithfully studied. Once, Theodore remembers a note of laughter was raised when nine o'clock came, by Jerry's exclamation: "Oh mother, it's gone! we are all having such a good time."

Five years they lived in this way, and almost entirely by themselves. They studied botany. She knew the name of every tree and shrub for miles around. The little boys had a collection of birds' eggs, and then began to watch closely the habits of the birds. It was a pure, simple life. It would have been too wild and lonely but for the charms of this devoted mother. Her love and her devotion were hidden from them, but she learned to an unusual degree to throw every energy into the day's work of study, and create, as they were, a fresh enthusiasm for the present. Her young sacrifice was rewarded. Each child made her his peculiar confidant. She became the inspiration of his life.

English history opened a wide field to this family. One afternoon she brought in Stokes' best, and proved some historical question. It was a rainy day, and the boys were all at home. Jerry began to read "Hamlet" aloud; it proved a treasure that brought them into a new world of delight. Sometimes they took a holiday, and the evening ended in a frolic, for good-natured mirth was never repressed.

First of all preparation had been made for the Sabbath. There was a church in this town, but at a distance of several miles, and during many days of the roads were not passable. She had learned upon infinite strength, gathered wisdom through all these experiences. The secret of many a promise had been revealed to her understanding; and above everything she desired that the Scriptures might become precious to her children. She took up Bible character, bringing to bear the same vivid interest, the same power of making them realities.

These lessons were varied by little sketches or reports of one Sunday to be read aloud the next. Of this Nate took hold with special interest. This family could sing, but she thought of a substitute. They learned the Psalms, much of Isaiah, and many hymns, repeating them in concert, learning to count upon this hour around the fire as others do upon music.

How many of these times came to her in after-life—a vision of the bright faces of her boys, as they clustered affectionately around her, the same as in childhood, and in which she could lead? Was she too old to begin? Never before had the desire to become the very center of interest to them taken such a hold upon her.

A few weeks after, she said, one morning at the breakfast table: "Boys, I've been thinking that we might begin geology this summer and study it, all of us together. I have found a text book, by and by, that can draw a chart, perhaps. Jerry will take hold. I know, and Nate and Johnnie can hunt for specimens. We have an hour or two every night."

you, I catch sight of some rock, and stop to rejoice over those blessed times."

Nate said: "Mother, when I am reading a palm in the pulpit, there always comes to me a picture of those evenings with you in the rocking-chair, by the firelight, and I hear all your voices again."

Johnnie wrote: "Mother, I think everything I have come to me through you."

When Jerry, who had remained faithful, as always, had listened to his brothers, he put his arm around her, saying, tenderly: "There never will be any one like mother to me."

She died at sixty-five, very suddenly. Only a few hours before she had exclaimed, as her children all came home together:

"There never were such good boys as mine. You have repaid me a thousand fold. God grant you all happy homes!"

They bore her coffin to the grave themselves. They would not let any other person touch it. In the evening they gathered around the hearthstone in the sitting-room, and drew their chairs together. No one spoke until Nate said:

"Boys, let us pray."

And then, all kneeling around her vacant chair, he prayed that the mantle of their mother might fall upon them. They could ask nothing beyond that.—*Christian Union.*

Glutted With Fish.

"Is fish plentiful or scarce to-day?" asked a reporter of one of the wholesale dealers in the Fulton Fishmongers' market, who was offering "blue-fish at any price."

"Too plentiful," was the reply. "We are virtually giving fish away, and even old Yerdigis on the street and ill-dressed bachelors that try to get the greeny that it's raining fish."

"Some poor, sneaking chump," said Yerdigis, "is trying to break up the fish break-up."

"What time is that?"

"Four o'clock."

"Which kind of fish is most abundant?"

"Bluefish; although this morning everything is plentiful. There has not been such a supply of bluefish in the market for twenty-five years. This fish has not only been plentiful, and therefore cheap, but it has also been of fine quality."

"You like fish to be scarce or plentiful?"

"As we sell on commission it matters little to us what price the fish is sold at, providing the gross receipts of the day aggregate well. But when fish becomes plentiful, the handling of a large quantity for a small amount of money is not so agreeable as if the sales were smaller in quantity and the price obtained larger. We like to make as much money as we can for the commission."

"But you like fish to be scarce or plentiful?"

"Well, it used to be the proverb, 'fish is scarce and the price is high.' But the big boys are the best to get out of a trap, and if you get 'em laid out right, they pay big money. That of all, they're the safest game. You see, they don't care about squandering. They feel mean 'bout squandering. So they just ask their price and let the ducks go. But often some fresh duck that's been touched by a small stake 'll roar like a full. I've seen it all and I know what I talk about."

"But aren't you afraid of running foul of men too clever for you among the better class of people?"

"Now, when you begin to talk that way, you're better advertise yourself for a couple of years. You're not green enough to mean it. Why, it's the most bungling men with the snuggest headworks that's pie for us. Just yank along your tail thinkers and let the big boys do the work. You'll find 'em will be the biggest variety of noses and 'll be the conceit out of the lot in short order. Oscar Wilde, for instance? Bosh! That long-haired galeot wasn't a patch on the men we've tackled. And we don't 'em, while his poor father, 'bout mentioning names, young fellow, I could give you a few items that would make some of the swells stare a trifle and get a bit of a hurrin in the best society that would stun you."

"But how is it the police don't stop you?"

"What stopping are they going to do? and the face of the bunco man were an expression of intense disdain. 'No one but a chump's going to give me away to a copper. Why should he? He can't stop the fishy cops by their rig, and he flatters they're around. Then he gets on to the ward flymen pretty soon. No trouble 'bout that. The only difficulty is with the 'Bros.' He's a good old-timer, whom we know, he's a dead-end man, and as we don't drop to their mugs, we're likely to be indifferent. Understand? But they seldom get us dead to rights. Before the trick's worked we generally twig the spook, and do nothing we can't fix for."

"Is it true that the better class of people submit to the loss of their money without complaint?"

"Very often. But not always. There's a very eminent case of a divine, you know—who was touched by some of the boys for his pile. We thought it was a safe racket, for there would be a deuce of a row over such a thing. We were wrong. The divine, with us, and we never thought he'd squall. But he had, and he had, and gave the whole thing away to the police. Well, some of the boys got pinched, and they had to settle so as to square things. The divine's grit saved him. He got his money, and no one ever said a word about it. If they had there would be music in Zion."

"Do countrymen generally make complaint?"

"Very often. But not always. Why, some of them are as green as grass, and believe themselves the cunningest cove in the world while they're being fleeced. I remember one fellow from New Jersey they roped in. Well, they got all his money over \$100. I believe they wanted to put up his watch. It was an old super not worth more than half a hundred, but he wanted a hundred on it. Of course the boys were willing. They might have taken a thousand and just as well. The greeny lost his watch, and I never will forget the jolly look he had as he poked his head in the door and with his thumb at his nose yelled out: 'You Yerkers think yourselves mighty smart, eh? Wal, I'm too much for you. That watch o' mine ain't worth more'n \$50. He went away really delighted at his fancied shrewdness.'"

"Wouldn't Constock make it uncomfortable if he took it in hand to stop your operations?"

"Nonsense! We ain't in his line at all. Let him keep his own business. I don't mind the police keeping after us. They're what they're for. But when a duck bothers 'em on behalf of the kingdom of heaven and the society for the prevention of crime I begin to squirm and request the chair to examine his credentials."—*New York Herald.*

BUNCO AND BLARNEY.

What a "steezy" says about his walk of life: "The big-bugs the best to bait."

"N. G. The bloke's tumbled," said a sailor-faced young man with a pepper and salt suit yesterday, and with that he lounged around the corner of West and Courtland streets. He had a semi-intelligent elevation of shoulder and inclination of head intended to represent preoccupation and utter indifference to mundane affairs. But his eye stole unobtrusively in the direction of a professor-like body who was looking after him with a good deal of anxiety, and who evidently was "bunko" in question.

The sailor-faced young man and his companion were standing in front of a building which was a well-known rendezvous for the "bunko" and "blarney" men of the city.

"Tripped up again," said the sailor, "tripped up to touch the old sea legs dropped."

"What's the matter," asked the professor-like body, "are you not feeling well?"

The sailor-faced young man and his companion were standing in front of a building which was a well-known rendezvous for the "bunko" and "blarney" men of the city.

"Tripped up again," said the sailor, "tripped up to touch the old sea legs dropped."

"What's the matter," asked the professor-like body, "are you not feeling well?"

The sailor-faced young man and his companion were standing in front of a building which was a well-known rendezvous for the "bunko" and "blarney" men of the city.

"Tripped up again," said the sailor, "tripped up to touch the old sea legs dropped."

"What's the matter," asked the professor-like body, "are you not feeling well?"

The sailor-faced young man and his companion were standing in front of a building which was a well-known rendezvous for the "bunko" and "blarney" men of the city.

"Tripped up again," said the sailor, "tripped up to touch the old sea legs dropped."

"What's the matter," asked the professor-like body, "are you not feeling well?"

The sailor-faced young man and his companion were standing in front of a building which was a well-known rendezvous for the "bunko" and "blarney" men of the city.

"Tripped up again," said the sailor, "tripped up to touch the old sea legs dropped."

"What's the matter," asked the professor-like body, "are you not feeling well?"

The sailor-faced young man and his companion were standing in front of a building which was a well-known rendezvous for the "bunko" and "blarney" men of the city.

"Tripped up again," said the sailor, "tripped up to touch the old sea legs dropped."